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Response Due Date
05/20/2013

IDENTIFICATION NUMBER: C00431445

REFERENCE: YEAR-END REPORT (11/27/2012 - 12/31/2012)

Dear Treasurer:

This letter is prompted by the Commission's preliminary review of the report referenced above. This notice requests information essential to full public disclosure of your federal election campaign finances. **Failure to adequately respond by the response date noted above could result in an audit or enforcement action.** Additional information is needed for the following 7 item(s):

1. Schedule A-P of your report discloses one or more contributions that appear to exceed the limits set forth in the Act (see attached).

An individual or a political committee other than an authorized committee or qualified multi-candidate committee may not make a contribution(s) to a candidate for federal office in excess of \$2,500 per election. An authorized committee may not make a contribution(s) to a candidate for federal office in excess of \$2,000 per election. A qualified multi-candidate committee and all affiliated committees may not make a contribution(s) to a candidate for federal office in excess of \$5,000 per election. The term "contribution" includes any gift, subscription, loan, advance, or deposit of money or anything of value made by any person for the purpose of influencing any election for federal office. (2 U.S.C. § 441a(a) and (f); 11 CFR § 110.1(b), (e) and (k))

If any apparently excessive contribution in question was incompletely or incorrectly disclosed, you must amend your original report with the clarifying information. If any contribution you received exceeds the limits, you may have to refund the excessive amount.

Excessive contributions may be retained if, within 60 days of receipt, the excessive portions are properly redesignated or reattributed. Guidelines for each option are provided below.

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For reattributions, excessive contributions from individuals can be retained if, within 60 days of receipt, the excessive amount is properly reattributed to another person. Please note that reattributions only apply to excessive contributions from individuals. An excessive contribution is considered properly reattributed if (1) the contributors provide the committee with written documentation, signed by each contributor, authorizing a reattribution and indicating the amount of the contribution to be attributed to each contributor; or (2) the committee reattributes by presumption the excessive portion of the contribution if the contribution was made on a written instrument from a joint account and was signed by only one of the account holders. In this case, the treasurer must notify the contributors in writing within 60 days of receiving the contribution that the committee intends to reattribute the excessive portion and must give the contributor an opportunity to request a refund. (11 CFR § 110.1(k)(3)(ii)(B))

For redesignations, the funds can be retained if, within 60 days of receipt, the excessive amount is properly redesignated for a different election. An excessive contribution is considered properly redesignated if (1) the committee obtains signed written documentation from the contributor(s) authorizing the redesignation of the contribution for another election, provided that the new designation does not exceed the limitations on contributions made with respect to that election; or (2) your committee redesignates by presumption the excessive portion of the contribution for another election provided that the new designation does not exceed the limitations on contributions made with respect to that election. In this case, the treasurer must notify the contributor of the redesignation in writing within 60 days of the treasurer's receipt of the contribution. The notification must give the contributor an opportunity to request a refund. (11 CFR § 110.1(b)(5)(ii)(B)) Please note that you cannot presumptively redesignate an excessive contribution from a multi-candidate committee. Also, a contribution can only be redesignated to a previous election to the extent that the contribution does not exceed the committee's net debts outstanding for that election. (11 CFR § 110.1(b)(3)(i))

If the foregoing conditions for reattributions or redesignations are not met within 60 days of receipt of the contribution, the excessive amount must be refunded. See 11 CFR § 103.3(b)(1).

Please inform the Commission of your corrective action immediately in writing and provide photocopies of any refund checks and/or letters reattributing or

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redesignating the contributions in question. Refunds are reported on Line 28(a), (b), or (c), as applicable, of the Detailed Summary Page and on a supporting Schedule B-P of the report covering the period in which they are made. Redesignations and reattributions are reported as memo entries on Schedule A-P of the report covering the period in which the authorization for the redesignation and/or reattribution is received. (11 CFR § 104.8(d)(2), (3) and (4))

Although the Commission may take further legal action concerning the acceptance of excessive contributions, your prompt action to refund, redesignate, and/or reattribute the excessive amount will be taken into consideration.

2. Schedule B-P supporting Line 28(a) of your report discloses refunds to individuals. It appears that your committee has not reported the receipt of the original contributions for the attached contributors. Please clarify these refunds and amend your report(s) as necessary. (2 U.S.C. § 434(b) and 11 CFR § 104.3(a))

3. Your report discloses \$5,424.95 from K & K Insurance and \$1,407.20 from Kenneth Meyer Family Travel in Offsets to Operating Expenditures on Line 20(a) of the Detailed Summary Page. Please be advised that if there are not corresponding expenditures for these entries, it may constitute an excessive or prohibited contribution. Please amend your report or provide an explanation for this apparent discrepancy. (11 CFR § 104.3(a)(4)(v))

4. Debt payments for this period (Schedule D-P) are greater than the payments itemized on Schedule B-P. Each expenditure to a person, which in the aggregate exceeds \$200 for the election cycle, must be reported on Schedule B-P. "Person" includes an individual, partnership, corporation, association, and public or private organization -- other than an agency of the United States Government. Please amend your report to correct the discrepancies in the payments made to AT&T, Carolyn Y. Holloway, Social Leverage, and Tiger Direct, Inc.. (11 CFR §§ 104.3(b)(4)(i) and 100.10)

5. Commission Regulations require the continuous reporting of all outstanding debts. This report omits debts itemized on your previous report(s). (11 CFR §§ 104.3(d) and 104.11) Please file an amendment to your report to disclose the current status of these omitted debts owed to Scott Safranek.

6. Your report discloses debts with outstanding beginning balances that do not

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equal the corresponding closing balances of your previous report (see attached). These amounts should be the same. Please correct these discrepancies and file an amendment to your report(s). (2 U.S.C. § 434(b)(8) and 11 CFR § 104.11)

7. Schedule D of your report discloses an apparent credit for debt owed to Clearwing Productions, Inc., Andrea Richter, and Wesley K. Clark & Associates. Please provide further clarification regarding this credit. (11 CFR § 104.3(d) and 104.11)

Please note, you will not receive an additional notice from the Commission on this matter. Adequate responses must be received by the Commission on or before the due date noted above to be taken into consideration in determining whether audit action will be initiated. Failure to comply with the provisions of the Act may also result in an enforcement action against the committee. Any response submitted by your committee will be placed on the public record and will be considered by the Commission prior to taking enforcement action. **Requests for extensions of time in which to respond will not be considered.**

Electronic filers must file amendments (to include statements, designations and reports) in an electronic format and must submit an amended report in its entirety, rather than just those portions of the report that are being amended. If you should have any questions regarding this matter or wish to verify the adequacy of your response, please contact me on our toll-free number (800) 424-9530 (at the prompt press 5 to reach the Reports Analysis Division) or my local number (202) 694-1166.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Bradley Matheson". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

Bradley Matheson
Sr. Campaign Finance & Reviewing Analyst
Reports Analysis Division

**Excessive, Prohibited, and Impermissible Contributions
Obama for America (C00431445)**

Excessive Contributions from Individuals

| Contributor Name | Date | Amount | Election |
|-------------------------|-------------|---------------|-----------------|
| Andrews, Gary | 6/26/2011 | \$85.00 | P2012 |
| Andrews, Gary | 6/26/2011 | \$250.00 | P2012 |
| Andrews, Gary | 9/8/2011 | \$1,000.00 | P2012 |
| Andrews, Gary | 9/30/2011 | \$1,000.00 | P2012 |
| Andrews, Gary | 10/24/2011 | \$165.00 | P2012 |
| Andrews, Gary | 3/24/2012 | \$0.00 | P2012 |
| Andrews, Gary | 4/30/2012 | \$0.00 | P2012 |
| Andrews, Gary | 5/24/2012 | \$250.00 | P2012 |
| Andrews, Gary | 5/28/2012 | \$915.00 | P2012 |
| Andrews, Gary | 6/1/2012 | -\$250.00 | P2012 |
| Andrews, Gary | 6/5/2012 | -\$665.00 | P2012 |
| Andrews, Gary | 6/14/2012 | -\$250.00 | P2012 |
| Andrews, Gary | 12/31/2012 | \$250.00 | P2012 |
| | | | |
| Donahue, Joseph P. Jr. | 9/25/2012 | \$1,000.00 | G2012 |
| Donahue, Joseph P. Jr. | 9/27/2012 | \$1,000.00 | G2012 |
| Donahue, Joseph P. Jr. | 10/15/2012 | \$500.00 | G2012 |
| Donahue, Joseph | 11/14/2012 | \$1,000.00 | G2012 |
| | | | |
| Eaton, James E. | 9/13/2012 | \$2,500.00 | G2012 |
| Eaton, James E. | 11/26/2012 | \$236.00 | G2012 |
| | | | |
| Galardi, Gregg | 9/29/2011 | \$2,500.00 | P2012 |
| Galardi, Gregg | 12/30/2011 | \$5,000.00 | P2012 |
| Galardi, Gregg | 1/21/2012 | -\$5,000.00 | P2012 |
| Galardi, Gregg | 5/22/2012 | \$5,000.00 | P2012 |
| Galardi, Gregg | 5/22/2012 | -\$5,000.00 | P2012 |
| Galardi, Gregg | 12/31/2012 | \$5,000.00 | P2012 |
| | | | |
| Herbick, Mary Carole. | 9/17/2012 | \$250.00 | G2012 |
| Herbick, Mary Carole. | 9/21/2012 | \$100.00 | G2012 |
| Herbick, Mary Carole. | 9/21/2012 | \$100.00 | G2012 |
| Herbick, Mary Carole. | 9/25/2012 | \$500.00 | G2012 |
| Herbick, Mary Carole. | 9/28/2012 | \$100.00 | G2012 |
| Herbick, Mary Carole. | 9/28/2012 | \$100.00 | G2012 |
| Herbick, Mary Carole. | 10/2/2012 | \$100.00 | G2012 |
| Herbick, Mary Carole. | 10/6/2012 | \$100.00 | G2012 |
| Herbick, Mary Carole. | 10/7/2012 | \$100.00 | G2012 |
| Herbick, Mary Carole. | 10/12/2012 | \$100.00 | G2012 |

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|-----------------------|------------|------------|-------|
| Herbick, Mary Carole. | 10/17/2012 | \$100.00 | G2012 |
| Herbick, Mary Carole | 10/19/2012 | \$100.00 | G2012 |
| Herbick, Mary Carole | 10/19/2012 | \$50.00 | G2012 |
| Herbick, Mary Carole | 10/23/2012 | \$100.00 | G2012 |
| Herbick, Mary Carole | 10/24/2012 | \$100.00 | G2012 |
| Herbick, Mary Carole | 10/27/2012 | \$100.00 | G2012 |
| Herbick, Mary Carole | 11/1/2012 | \$250.00 | G2012 |
| Herbick, Mary C. | 11/6/2012 | \$250.00 | G2012 |
| Herbick, Mary C. | 11/7/2012 | \$250.00 | G2012 |
| | | | |
| Moore, Laurie | 9/26/2012 | \$950.00 | G2012 |
| Moore, Laurie | 9/30/2012 | \$1,000.00 | G2012 |
| Moore, Laurie | 10/5/2012 | \$50.00 | G2012 |
| Moore, Laurie | 10/7/2012 | \$250.00 | G2012 |
| Moore, Laurie | 10/10/2012 | \$250.00 | G2012 |
| Moore, Laurie | 12/15/2012 | \$1,000.00 | G2012 |
| | | | |
| Murray, Kathleen A. | 10/5/2012 | \$100.00 | G2012 |
| Murray, Kathleen A. | 10/10/2012 | \$250.00 | G2012 |
| Murray, Kathleen A. | 10/12/2012 | \$100.00 | G2012 |
| Murray, Kathleen A. | 10/19/2012 | \$100.00 | G2012 |
| Murray, KKathleen | 10/22/2012 | \$250.00 | G2012 |
| Murray, Kathleen A. | 10/26/2012 | \$100.00 | G2012 |
| Murray, KKathleen | 10/29/2012 | \$250.00 | G2012 |
| Murray, Kathleen A. | 11/1/2012 | -\$100.00 | G2012 |
| Murray, Kathleen A. | 11/2/2012 | \$100.00 | G2012 |
| Murray, KKathleen | 11/14/2012 | \$250.00 | G2012 |
| Murray, KKathleen | 11/14/2012 | \$250.00 | G2012 |
| Murray, Kathleen A. | 11/14/2012 | \$100.00 | G2012 |
| Murray, Kathleen A. | 11/16/2012 | \$100.00 | G2012 |
| Murray, KKathleen | 11/19/2012 | \$250.00 | G2012 |
| Murray, Kathleen A. | 11/19/2012 | \$100.00 | G2012 |
| Murray, KKathleen | 11/26/2012 | \$250.00 | G2012 |
| Murray, Kathleen A. | 11/30/2012 | \$100.00 | G2012 |
| Murray, Kathleen A. | 12/3/2012 | \$250.00 | G2012 |
| | | | |
| Oneal, James | 11/16/2012 | \$250.00 | G2012 |
| Oneal, James | 11/16/2012 | \$250.00 | G2012 |
| Oneal, James | 11/19/2012 | \$250.00 | G2012 |
| Oneal, James | 11/19/2012 | \$250.00 | G2012 |
| Oneal, James | 11/26/2012 | \$250.00 | G2012 |
| Oneal, James | 11/26/2012 | \$250.00 | G2012 |

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|----------------|------------|------------|-------|
| Oneal, James | 12/3/2012 | \$250.00 | G2012 |
| Oneal, James | 12/3/2012 | \$250.00 | G2012 |
| Oneal, James | 12/11/2012 | \$250.00 | G2012 |
| Oneal, James | 12/11/2012 | \$250.00 | G2012 |
| Oneal, James | 12/17/2012 | \$250.00 | G2012 |
| | | | |
| Price, Allison | 11/14/2012 | \$2,500.00 | G2012 |
| Price, Allison | 11/14/2012 | \$2,500.00 | G2012 |

**Refunds with no Corresponding Contribution
Obama for America (C00431445)**

| Contributor Name | Date | Amount | Election |
|-------------------------|----------|-------------|----------|
| Bryson, Tyrone | 12/18/12 | -\$400.00 | G2012 |
| | | | |
| Buzan, Christine | 12/18/12 | -\$285.00 | G2012 |
| | | | |
| Dascenzo, Janine | 12/5/12 | -\$2,000.00 | P2012 |
| | | | |
| Gardiner, Philip | 12/26/12 | -\$2,850.00 | G2012 |
| | | | |
| Harris, Christopher | 12/6/12 | -\$350.00 | G2012 |
| | | | |
| Henderson, Wiley Bryant | 12/12/12 | -\$250.00 | G2012 |
| | | | |
| Kantor, Douglas | 12/18/12 | -\$500.00 | G2012 |
| | | | |
| Kaplan, Leonard J. Mr. | 12/18/12 | -\$5,000.00 | G2012 |
| | | | |
| Langham, Lewis | 12/24/12 | -\$250.00 | G2012 |
| Langham, Lewis | 12/24/12 | -\$250.00 | G2012 |
| Langham, Lewis | 12/24/12 | -\$250.00 | G2012 |
| Langham, Lewis | 12/24/12 | -\$250.00 | G2012 |
| Langham, Lewis | 12/24/12 | -\$250.00 | G2012 |
| Langham, Lewis | 12/24/12 | -\$250.00 | G2012 |
| | | | |
| Lawson, Kirk | 12/20/12 | -\$500.00 | G2012 |
| Lawson, Kirk | 12/20/12 | -\$500.00 | G2012 |
| | | | |
| McNara, Ann Marie | 12/19/12 | -\$250.00 | G2012 |
| McNara, Ann Marie | 12/24/12 | -\$250.00 | G2012 |
| McNara, Ann Marie | 12/24/12 | -\$250.00 | G2012 |
| McNara, Ann Marie | 12/24/12 | -\$250.00 | G2012 |
| McNara, Ann Marie | 12/24/12 | -\$250.00 | G2012 |
| McNara, Ann Marie | 12/24/12 | -\$250.00 | G2012 |
| McNara, Ann Marie | 12/24/12 | -\$250.00 | G2012 |
| McNara, Ann Marie | 12/24/12 | -\$250.00 | G2012 |
| McNara, Ann Marie | 12/24/12 | -\$250.00 | G2012 |
| McNara, Ann Marie | 12/24/12 | -\$250.00 | G2012 |
| | | | |
| Miller, Barbara | 12/10/12 | -\$500.00 | G2012 |
| | | | |
| Myers, Judy | 12/11/12 | -\$500.00 | G2012 |
| Myers, Judy | 12/11/12 | -\$500.00 | G2012 |

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|--------------------|----------|-------------|-------|
| Myers, Judy | 12/11/12 | -\$500.00 | G2012 |
| Myers, Judy | 12/11/12 | -\$500.00 | G2012 |
| Myers, Judy | 12/11/12 | -\$500.00 | G2012 |
| Myers, Judy | 12/11/12 | -\$500.00 | G2012 |
| Myers, Judy | 12/11/12 | -\$500.00 | G2012 |
| Myers, Judy | 12/11/12 | -\$500.00 | G2012 |
| Myers, Judy | 12/11/12 | -\$500.00 | G2012 |
| Myers, Judy | 12/11/12 | -\$500.00 | G2012 |
| Myers, Judy | 12/12/12 | -\$500.00 | G2012 |
| Myers, Judy | 12/13/12 | -\$500.00 | G2012 |
| Myers, Judy | 12/13/12 | -\$500.00 | G2012 |
| Myers, Judy | 12/13/12 | -\$500.00 | G2012 |
| Myers, Judy | 12/13/12 | -\$500.00 | G2012 |
| Myers, Judy | 12/13/12 | -\$500.00 | G2012 |
| Myers, Judy | 12/13/12 | -\$500.00 | G2012 |
| Myers, Judy | 12/13/12 | -\$500.00 | G2012 |
| | | | |
| Obazee, Lucky | 12/10/12 | -\$1,782.00 | G2012 |
| | | | |
| Overstreet, J. B. | 11/30/12 | -\$414.00 | G2012 |
| | | | |
| papain, elaine | 12/5/12 | -\$35.00 | G2012 |
| papain, elaine | 12/5/12 | -\$281.00 | G2012 |
| papain, elaine | 12/5/12 | -\$100.00 | G2012 |
| papain, elaine | 12/5/12 | -\$100.00 | G2012 |
| papain, elaine | 12/5/12 | -\$100.00 | G2012 |
| | | | |
| Riley, Glenn | 12/26/12 | -\$210.00 | G2012 |
| | | | |
| Rodder, William Mr | 12/7/12 | -\$250.00 | G2012 |
| Rodder, William Mr | 12/7/12 | -\$250.00 | G2012 |
| | | | |
| Scott, Linda | 12/24/12 | -\$200.00 | G2012 |
| Scott, Linda | 12/24/12 | -\$250.00 | G2012 |
| | | | |
| Serwer, Nicholas | 12/7/12 | -\$500.00 | G2012 |
| | | | |
| Sosland, Neil N. | 12/11/12 | -\$2,500.00 | G2012 |
| | | | |
| Tesh, Susan | 11/27/12 | -\$500.00 | G2012 |
| | | | |
| Vesely, James | 12/14/12 | -\$250.00 | G2012 |

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|---------------|----------|-----------|-------|
| Vesely, James | 12/14/12 | -\$250.00 | G2012 |
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New Debts with Outstanding Beginning Balances
Obama for America (C00431445)

| Name | Closing Balance from Previous Report | Outstanding Balance Beginning This Report |
|--------------------------------|---|--|
| Broderick Johnson | \$16,702.86 | \$5,452.86 |
| Fairfax County Public Schools | \$21,778.90 | \$10,930.70 |
| Jolley, Rebecca J. | \$8,000.00 | \$2,000.00 |
| Lim, Edwin | \$6,000.00 | \$3,750.00 |
| Professional Interpreting Ent. | \$5,227.00 | \$201.00 |